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Applicants: KARRS et al. Group Art Unit: 1764
Serial No.: 09/973,401 Examiner: Duong, Thanh P.
Filed: October 9, 2001 Dated: May 11, 2006
For: MODULAR SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR THE
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ATTENTION: REFUND SECTION,
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REQUEST FOR REFUND
(Improper Charge of Deposit Account)

I. REFUND REQUEST

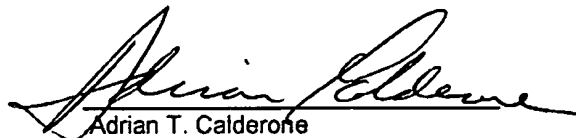
This is a request for a refund with respect to the charge to Deposit Account No. 04-1121 shown on the statement dated February 28, 2006 for the above-identified application.

A copy of the monthly statement in which the error referred to occurs accompanies this request.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8 (a)

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Refund Section, Accounting Division, Office of Finance, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

	<u>AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED</u>
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>other Improper additional charge for</u> <u>Extension of Time</u>	<u>330.00</u>

TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED \$ 330.00

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III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

Refund is requested for the following reason.

Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal and Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review on September 28, 2005. A Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review was mailed to Applicants on November 23, 2005. (Copy enclosed.) Pursuant to said Notice the time period for filing the Appeal Brief was reset to one month from the mailing date of the decisions or the balance of the two-month time period running from the receipt of the Notice of Appeal, whichever is greater, the time period being extendable under 37 C.F.R. 1.136.

Accordingly, the due date for making the Appeal Brief was reset to December 23, 2005.

Applicants filed the Appeal Brief on January 23, 2006 with certificate of mailing and with a Petition for Extension of Time for one month with requisite fee of \$120.00. (See copy of Transmittal of Appellant's Brief.)

The monthly Statement of Account, dated 2-28-2006 (copy enclosed) indicates a charge to the deposit account in this case for \$330.00, the balance between the fee for one month extension of time and a two month extension of time.

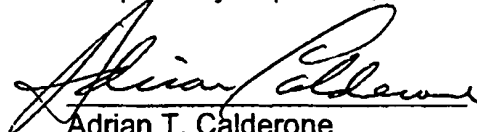
Applicants respectfully submit that the charge of \$330.00 is improper since only a one month extension of time was due.

Refund of the \$330.00 is respectfully requested.

IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Deposit Account No. 04-1121.

Respectfully requested,



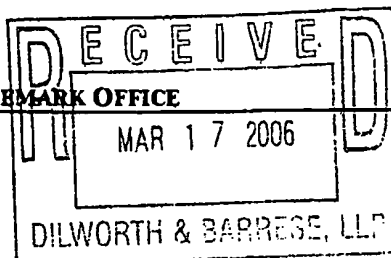
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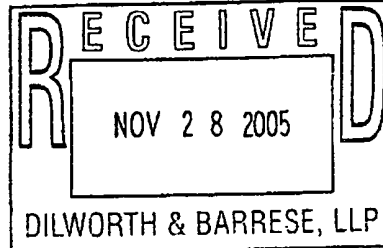


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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Application Number 	Application/Control No. 09/973,401		App. it(s)/Patent under Reexamination KARRS ET AL.	
	Timothy H. Meeks		Art Unit 1762	
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Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review



This is in response to the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review filed 10/17/05.

1. ☐ **Improper Request** – The Request is improper and a conference will not be held for the following reason(s):

- ☐ The Notice of Appeal has not been filed concurrent with the Pre-Appeal Brief Request.
- ☐ The request does not include reasons why a review is appropriate.
- ☐ A proposed amendment is included with the Pre-Appeal Brief request.
- ☐ Other:

The time period for filing a response continues to run from the receipt date of the Notice of Appeal or from the mail date of the last Office communication, if no Notice of Appeal has been received.

2. ☒ **Proceed to Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences** – A Pre-Appeal Brief conference has been held. The application remains under appeal because there is at least one actual issue for appeal. Applicant is required to submit an appeal brief in accordance with 37 CFR 41.37. The time period for filing an appeal brief will be reset to be one month from mailing this decision, or the balance of the two-month time period running from the receipt of the notice of appeal, whichever is greater. Further, the time period for filing of the appeal brief is extendible under 37 CFR 1.136 based upon the mail date of this decision or the receipt date of the notice of appeal, as applicable.

☒ The panel has determined the status of the claim(s) is as follows:
 Claim(s) allowed: _____
 Claim(s) objected to: _____
 Claim(s) rejected: 1-38 and 50-57.
 Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____

3. ☐ **Allowable application** – A conference has been held. The rejection is withdrawn and a Notice of Allowance will be mailed. Prosecution on the merits remains closed. No further action is required by applicant at this time.

4. ☐ **Reopen Prosecution** – A conference has been held. The rejection is withdrawn and a new Office action will be mailed. No further action is required by applicant at this time.

All participants:

(1) Timothy H. Meeks

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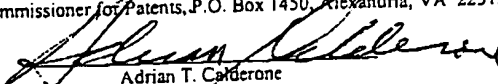
Sir:

This Brief is being submitted in triplicate pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.192. The Notice of Appeal was mailed on September 28, 2005.

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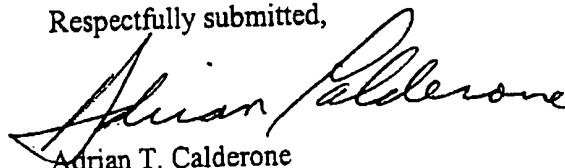
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Enclosed is a check in the sum of \$500 for filing a brief in support of an appeal.

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